

Findings

How Did Institutions Fund Capital Projects?

Type of Institution

For doctorate-granting institutions, the decline in combined costs for the construction of S&E research space and the repair/renovation of research space between fiscal years 1990–1991 and the following two fiscal years resulted from declines in nearly all funding categories (Table 4-1). Other debt and other funding sources increased, but the relative contribution of these two sources was small.

Table 4-1. Trends in the sources of funding for capital projects to construct and repair/renovate science and engineering research facilities by institution type: 1986–1993
[Constant 1993 dollars in millions]¹

Institution type and time period	Total	Government		Private donation	Institutional funds	Tax-exempt bonds	Other debt	Other source
		Federal	State/local					
Doctorate-granting:								
1986–1987	3,106	177	1,033	651	712	478	8	45
1988–1989	3,555	426	1,116	490	973	421	121	6
1990–1991	3,795	536	1,225	465	768	719	45	38
1992–1993	3,522	499	1,137	363	698	695	66	64
Nondoctorate-granting								
1986–1987	241	22	139	31	5	45	0	0
1988–1989	194	19	98	63	14	0	0	0
1990–1991	167	13	26	8	14	108	0	0